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NOTICE

ANY person taking wood of any descrip-
tion off the lands belonging to the
Edgeley estate will be prosecuted. By order.
W. C. CAMERON.
Edgeley, Nov. 20, 1897.

Local and General

Mr. W. Campion went up to
Regina Monday morning.

—The creamery is expected to
open the first week in May.

—A. J. Redding, travelling for
Kilburn & Co., stereoscopic views,
called on us this week.

—A meeting of the football club
will be held at the Leland on Sat-
urday evening at 8 o'clock.

—Mr. H. S. Dixon, travelling
for Newsome & Gilbert, stationers,
Toronto, called on Monday.

—The Wolseley Brick company
shipped four cars of brick to Qu'-
Appelle this week.—Echo.

—Mrs. D. Scott, of Oak River,
is visiting her daughter-in-law,
Mrs. James Scott, of this town.

—The next Territorial Conven-
tion of the Christian Endeavor
society will be held at Moose Jaw.

—Mr. W. Moore has been left in
charge of the farm of Mr. Sperling
during his absence in the Yukon.

—Messrs. E. C. Boyce and A. H.
B. Sperling took the train on Sun-
day morning, heading for "the land
of gold."

—Birth—At the General Hos-
pital, Winnipeg, on Saturday, 23rd
ult., the wife of Mr. Barnett Harvey,
of a son.

Mr. Wilson, who hustles business
for Love & McAllister, wholesale
stationers, Winnipeg, was in town
Tuesday.

—Rev. Mr. Thompson returned
on Saturday morning from Moosomin,
where he attended the meet-
ing of the C. E. society.

—The C. P. R. land sales for the
month of March in the Northwest
amounted to \$100,000. The num-
ber of acres disposed of was 33,600.

—Robert Matchett of Balgonie,
has been appointed statute labor
overseer for District 87, under the
provisions of the statute labor ordi-
nance.

—Don't fail to hear the Guerin
Family, who are billed to appear
in the town hall on Saturday even-
ing next. Get your seats marked
at Henderson & Parker's.

—Mr. R. F. Barbour, of St.
Mary's, Ont., died last week very
suddenly. The deceased gentle-
man was the father of Mr. Peter
Barbour, of Fort Qu'Appelle.

—If you are ordering any legal
forms, of which there is quite a de-
mand here in the fall, take care of
the wording, as some of them are
quite useless in the Territories.

—A man recently arrived at
Saddle Lake from the Arctic ocean,
having travelled the entire distance,
3,000 miles, on snow-shoes. It
seems the ship to which he belonged
was frozen in, and he decided not
to wait for a thaw.

—One dollar invested in The
Progress will afford the purchaser
from thirty minutes to three hours'
entertainment every week for one
year. What investment is it pos-
sible to make that will give any-
thing like equal returns.

—A lady, recently from Scot-
land, residing at Battleford, sent
east not long ago for a pair of
"snow-shoes," which arrived in due
time. On examining them she re-
marked that she did not see how
they could keep the feet warm.

—The National Advertiser says
in its obituary of a resident: "He
was a man of spotless integrity,
a successful business man, a good
advertiser, and he always had his job
printing done at this office." The
shrewd business men of this town
will at once see the point.

—Mr. Robert Scott, of Eagle
Butte, arrived on Sunday night, and
will attend a meeting of the cow-
boys to be held at Fat Ox hall, Mc-
Donald Hills. Mr. Scott informs
us that the cattle on his ranch have
wintered in good shape. He in-
tends taking up with him on his re-
turn a number of stockers.

—St. Peter's women's guild pro-
pose holding a sale of work at the
Central Assiniboia exhibition, and
will be glad of any contributions
towards the same from those who
are willing to help. Apply to the
secretary-treasurer, A. Talbot, or

any other officers of the Guild.
President, E. Sargent; vice-presi-
dent, H. M. Musgrove.

—Attention is called to the "ad"
of the Brassey-McLane sale, which
appears in this issue on the fourth
page.

—Mr. Elkington, of the Qu'Ap-
pelle Valley Flour mills, returned
from an extended trip to the coast
on Wednesday evening.

—There is every reason to believe
that the farmers of this district will
again be blessed with a bountiful
crop, notwithstanding spring is late.

—S met me ago there was consid-
erable talk about a new grist mill,
but the promoters have either gone
to sleep or let the matter drop as
we hear no more about it now.

—The Farmers' elevator was
closed yesterday. It will re-open
again about the first of May, in
order to take in any grain that may
be in the farmers hands after seed-
ing.

—Creamer & Gray, the imple-
ment dealers, are rushing things
this season. This week a carload
of barb wire has been received.
Next week they expect a car of
plows. Call and get prices. ad

—The Edgeley Football club
gave a dance in the town hall last
evening. On account of the bad
roads there was not as many as ex-
pected, but those who were in
attendance report a most enjoyable
time.

A little over a year ago the agri-
cultural society of South Qu'-
Appelle distributed considerable
immigration literature through
Great Britain and eastern Canada,
setting forth the advantages of this
district. Many persons here kick-
ed at the expense incurred at the
time, saying there was no use in
advertising. What is the result?
This spring settlers are pouring in
and land is going up in value. Oh
no, printer's ink is no good—to
those who cannot see further than
their nose.

—The contractor for the build-
ing of the new felt factory is losing
no time; already the frame is up
and he expects to have it covered
in in a few days. The building
will be large and commodious, and
a decided acquisition to the pros-
perous appearance of the town.
The machinery for the factory is
now on its way here and will be
put in place on arrival and every
effort be made to secure a
good share of the fall trade. The
factory will be capable of turning
out 250 pairs a day, of quality and
finish second to none on the market.

—It has been suggested to us
that we offer a prize of, say from
\$500 to \$1,000, for the best original
poem on "Spring." No doubt the
advice is good enough (as at this
season of the year all first-class jour-
nals like The Progress are expected
to devote from two to five columns
weekly for the benefit of those who
are poetically inclined), but we are
just "a little short" this spring as
quite a number of our subscribers
have failed to show up with the
dollar which purchases that peace
of mind and self-respect that is en-
joyed by the fully paid up sub-
scriber.

—We take the following from
the Northwest Territories Gazette:
"Under the provisions of Ordinance
No. 70 of 1897, respecting the in-
spection of steam boilers and the
examination of engineers operating
the same, His Honor the Adminis-
trator has, by and with the advice
of the Executive Council, been
pleased to declare and proclaim that
the said Ordinance No. 30 of 1897,
intituled 'An Ordinance respecting
Steam Boilers and the examination
of Engineers operating the same',
shall come into force and take
effect on and after the first day of
June, 1898."

The New Rink.

A meeting was held last week
for the purpose of considering the
advisability of building a new
skating and curling rink, as the
present rink is not suitable, it being
too small and otherwise unfit for a
town like Qu'Appelle. It was un-
animously decided to go ahead with
the new building as soon as pos-
sible. It is the idea of those who

have the matter in hand to have
the building completed as soon as
possible, and it is proposed to give
a series of concerts during the sum-
mer in the new building, the pro-
ceeds to go towards the building
fund. There will also be a dance
given on Monday next, the 18th
inst., the proceeds to be devoted to
the same object.

FROM MR. BULYEA.

An Interesting Letter Received
by His Son Percy.

Below will be found a number
of extracts taken from a letter of
Mr. Bulyea's to his son Percy:

HOOTALINQUA, March 20.

Dear Percy—We arrived here
last night and are spending the
Sunday with Sergeant Fyffe's brother,
who is in charge of the police
post here. I wrote last from Tag-
ish Lake and told you about the
fine weather we were having on
the trail after crossing the pass, but
since then we have had a couple of
heavy snow storms, which make
travelling very bad. We had one
storm at White Horse, but it did
not last very long. However, we
had a bad time yesterday. We
came about 20 miles, and when we
started the snow was not bad on
the trail, but as we came along it
got deeper, and we had to break
the trail all the way, and sometimes
had to go through 1 1/2 to 2 feet of
snow. If you get a map you will
see we are about 30 miles below
the end of Lake La Barge, which
is the last of the lakes on this
route. The river opens in the
spring from 4 to 6 weeks sooner
than the lakes, and a lot of people
are trying to get their goods down
to the end of Lake La Barge so as
to get into Dawson as soon as pos-
sible.

There has been quite an excite-
ment about some gold discoveries
at or near Big Salmon, about 40
miles from here, but some people
think the discoveries don't amount
to much and are coming back with-
out recording claims. We will see
what the prospects are when we
get down. Mr. Fyffe's brother has
taken up a couple of claims and
thinks that they are all right.

Some parties going down turned
back, saying the roads are very bad,
and they decided not to go down to
Big Salmon to take up claims. I
saw THE PROGRESS at Mr. Fyffe's
which gave me quite a bit of news,
though I don't yet know how the
Ontario elections went. Remember
me to all the folks.

Your affectionate father,
G. H. V. BULYEA.

Cardinal Taschereau died at half past six
o'clock Tuesday evening at Quebec after a
lengthy illness. His death has been ex-
pected at any time for several months past.



The old fash-
ioned watch-
man who
prowled about
the streets of
London, with a
lantern in his
hand to pro-
claim his com-
ing, and who
announced
his passage
through the
streets by
shouting "All's
well," was a
very inefficient
protector when
compared with
the metropolitan
police of
New York City,
known as the
"Finest" in the
world.

modern policeman does not proclaim his
coming to the evil doer by shouting or by
carrying a lantern. He does his work more
quietly and effectively than the old fash-
ioned town watchman.

It is thus that in all the walks of life and
in all occupations, times change and knowl-
edge and efficiency increase. In this re-
spect medical science has kept pace with
the advance in other lines. Physicians and
chemists have grown rapidly more skillful.
There are medicinal preparations now-a-
days that cure diseases that were a few
years ago considered absolutely incurable.
The final triumph in this respect is Dr.
Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It
was first given to the world thirty years
ago, and has stood the test ever since that
time. It cures 95 per cent. of all cases of
consumption, bronchitis, throat and kindred
affections. Thousands who were hopeless
sufferers, and had been given up by the
doctors, have testified to its marvelous
merits. It is the great blood-maker and
flesh-builder. It makes the appetite hearty,
the digestion and assimilation perfect, the
liver active, the blood pure and rich with
the life-giving elements of the food, and the
nerves strong and steady. It acts directly
on the lungs and air passages, driving out
all impurities and disease germs. An hon-
est dealer will not try to persuade you to
take an inferior substitute for the sake of a
few pennies added profit.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure consti-
pation. At all medicine stores.

QU'APPELLE PROGRESS.

Thursday, April 14, 1898.

THE NEWS OF THE DAY.

A FEW BRIEF PARAGRAPHS FOR BUSY PEOPLE.

The Flotsam and Jetsam of the World Around us Portrayed in Condensed Items, Which Treat of Men and Things in a General Way.

Forty thousand Welsh coal miners are on strike.

Great damage by floods is reported from Honolulu.

It is reported that Great Britain has seized Chusan, China.

Earthquake shocks did considerable damage in California.

Winnipeggers in the Yukon gold diggings are well and hopeful.

Toronto central prison was damaged \$7,500 by fire in the chapel.

Postage on domestic letters will be reduced to two cents per ounce.

Port Arthur, Ont., will have increased steamboat service this season.

James Tuttle was shot and killed by W. D. Emerson, at London, Ont.

A British ship reports having been chased and fired at by Spaniards.

After July, 1899, newspapers will be charged 1 cent per pound postage.

The Union Bank of Canada is opening a branch at Medicine Hat, N. W. T.

A new railway is projected to tap the Minnesota timber and iron lands.

The British revenue increased \$3,817,737 for the fiscal year ending March 31.

The would-be assassins of the King of Greece have been condemned to death.

The Anglo-Egyptian forces had a brush with the Dervishes near Atbara.

The S. S. Minerva arrived at Victoria a few days ago from Sydney and Honolulu.

The Grand Trunk are considering the removal of their offices from Montreal to Toronto.

The Dominion meteorological and storm signal service has been extended to British Columbia.

The work of improving Ash Rapids and Rainy River navigation will be proceeded with immediately.

Duties collected at Toronto during March reach \$507,369 and show an increase of \$1,944 over the same month in 1897.

The Greek government, it has said, has finally declined to sell to the United States, the two cruisers for which negotiations have been in progress.

J. W. Harkon, assistant mechanical superintendent of the Grand Trunk railway, has resigned to accept a similar position on the Canadian Pacific.

The flour mill to be established at Headingly will be erected and operated by Howard & Sons, an Ontario firm. It will have a capacity of one hundred barrels daily.

The Immigration department reports during the past month that over six thousand immigrants arrived from the east to settle in Manitoba or the Territories, which is a most unprecedented large number for so early in the season.

The examinations in arts, medicine and law of the university of Manitoba begin on the 10th of May. This is the first year in the history of the university of Manitoba when the examinations in medicine have been held at the same time with arts.

Dr. Roughledge, of Edmonton, one of the directors of a company which is dredging the Saskatchewan river for gold, is in Winnipeg on his way back to England, where he has been consulting prominent capitalists in reference to the work being done by his company.

A Galician named Joseph Prohazski lost his life a short while ago in a storm. The man and his son had gone some distance north of Winnipegosis for hay. The boy became separated from his father, and when search was made, the latter was found dead. The boy escaped with slight injuries.

Word has been received from St. Louis, that Shawneetown, Ill., has been over whelmed by a flood. The levee above the city broke, and the city is inundated. The water has backed up for about five miles and rushed down like a tidal wave. It is estimated that two hundred lives are lost.

The suspicion is confirmed that it was the German steamer Magnet, from Pomerania, March 9, for St. John, that was sunk on March 16 in the collision of Gabbard Lightship with the British bark British Princess, Captain Scott from Loch for Liverpool. Eighteen of her crew were drowned.

The Indian department has been notified of the death of Chief Kahkaiak, of Reserve No. 1, from the effects of a blow received in a fight with Alex. Strong, another Indian of the same band. Whisky is said to have been the immediate cause of the quarrel between the two. Agent Bagot, of Fort Francis is investigating the matter.

Over 2,000,000 bushels of Duluth grain have been chartered to go forward at the opening of navigation. This is a vastly larger amount than it was generally supposed to be chartered. The wheat rate is 12 to 2 cents, with shippers' option of sending either to Chicago or Buffalo. There are 11,750,000 bushels of all grains in store at Duluth.

Mr. Arthur Braden, of the Royal Engineer's depot, Chatham, Eng., passed through Winnipeg recently, to join the staff now engaged on the fortifications at Esquimaux. He says all the ships of the British navy are being got ready for active service in anticipation of trouble over the eastern question. Mr. Braden will have charge of the mechanical work at Esquimaux.

The Fort William board of trade has passed a strong resolution urging on the Dominion government, for reasons given in the resolution, to grant the charter under the Boundary Creek district of British Columbia to the Canadian Pacific railway company. Copies of the resolu-

BREAD, POTATOES and MILK.

A Dyspeptics daily diet.

Dyspepsia is one of the most prevalent of diseases. Thousands of people suffer from it in a more or less aggravated form. Few diseases are more painful to the individual or more far reaching in their effects on human life and happiness. What the dyspeptic needs is not local treatment, not mere temporary stimulants. The real need is the tuning up of the entire system. Fortify the system and it will do its own fighting, and promptly eject any intruding disease. The success of Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla in curing indigestion and dyspepsia is due to just this quality which it possesses, of renewing the vital forces, repairing the waste and loss of the body. The ordinary treatment brings the food down to the level of the weak stomach. Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla puts strength into the stomach, and brings it up to the level of the strong food fit for man. It does this by strengthening the entire system. The stomach cannot stay weak when all the other organs are gaining strength. What Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla will do for dyspepsia is best illustrated in cases like that of M. Shields, Meridian, Miss. Mr. Shields had got down to the last level of dyspepsia, but let him tell his own story—

"For years, I was afflicted with dyspepsia which gradually grew worse until I could eat nothing but bread and potatoes."

tion were wired the minister of railways and canals, A. E. Dymont, M. P., and Mr. Shaughnessy.

Jerome Martin was murdered at Metapedia, Que., the other night by Theo. Poirer, of St. Alexis. The two quarrelled about 10 o'clock, when walking home from visiting a woman and were on the high road about a mile from the parish church. Suddenly Poirer drew a knife and stabbed Martin in the throat. A priest was called, but Martin died shortly after his arrival.

A CRIPPLED SHADOW.

THE REMARKABLE STATEMENT OF JAS. DAVIS, OF VITTORIA.

Stricken With Rheumatism He Wasted to a Pain Stricken Shadow—Doctors and Hospital Treatment Failed to Help Him—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Restore Health and Strength.

Proof upon proof accumulates that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is the greatest medical discovery of the 19th century, and the following story told in the patient's own words again substantiates the claim that they cure when other methods fail.

"Knowing that I am a living monument of the wonderful curing properties of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I deem it my duty as a grateful man to give my testimony for the aid of such as are afflicted as I was. I am a resident of the village of Vittoria, Ont., and have lived in the town or neighborhood all my life, and am therefore well known and what I say can be easily proved. Three years ago I was stricken with, and partially paralyzed by rheumatism, and after being under the care of two physicians I was given up to die. I wasted to a human skeleton, nothing more than a crippled shadow. I lost the use of my limbs entirely and food was given me by a spoon. Life was not worth living and such an existence was indeed miserable. Thus I awaited the end to come, an end of human suffering too awful to depict. As a last resort I was persuaded by my friends to try medical treatment in the General Hospital in Toronto, and after spending several weeks there, came home discouraged and even worse than before. While waiting in the range of pain, discouraged and ready to die, I heard of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and of the marvels it cures they effected. While doubting that they would cure me I was prevailed upon to take them. The effect was marvellous. For two long years I had not enjoyed a single night's rest, and I then slept a sweet sleep which seemed like heaven to me. I revived, could eat and gradually grew stronger, and as I gained strength, my hope of living increased. I have taken forty-one boxes, which may seem a large quantity to some, but be it remembered I had taken many times their value in other medicines and had been declared incurable by doctors. The result is I am now able to undergo hard physical exercise. All my large circle of friends and acquaintances welcomed me back in their midst and life seems real again. The fact is beyond all question that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a last and only medicine proved successful in reaching the germs of my disease, and saved me from a life of misery and pain. Again I say as a grateful man that I cannot too strongly recommend this remarkable medicine to all fellow beings who are afflicted with this terrible malady."

The above testimony is signed in presence of

ERNEST WEBSTER MAYNIE.

JAPAN IS SATISFIED.

Russia and Germany Displeased—Britain Takes Possession of Wei-Hai-Wei.

It is semi-officially announced that Great Britain has made arrangements with China to take over the port of Wei-Hai-Wei on the Shanghai peninsula, when the Chinese government shall have paid the war indemnity due to Japan and the Japanese troops shall have evacuated the place. The arrangement, it is added, was made with the knowledge and approval of Japan, with which country an understanding had previously been arrived at. The latter fact was kept secret until China had actually agreed to the lease and the British fleet had assembled in the vicinity. It is said on good authority that neither Russia nor Germany is pleased at the arrangement, and it is added that the island of Loo-Kung-San, at the entrance of Wei-Hai-Wei, will be strongly fortified. It is said to be capable of being successfully defended, while the land batteries, destroyed by the Japanese, can speedily be reconstructed.

The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "The indications are that France will demand a coaling station at the mouth of the Min river near Fu Chou, province of Foke Kien, where the French engineers control the arsenal and dock. The delay in the concession of the Pechu-d-nands is attributed to English opposition and the lack of Russian support."

When you see a girl eating an orange with a funny shaped spoon, you can generally be sure, that if she was alone she would stick her thumb through the rind and suck it.

seasoned with a little salt, and drink only decreas. I became so bad that a trifle too much of even these caused terrible suffering in the regions of the stomach, darting pains back of the eyes, attended with dizziness and partial loss of sight. The only way I could get relief was by vomiting. Finally I had such a severe attack that the entire left side of my body felt numb and partially paralyzed, and in this condition I was taken to my room unconscious. The physicians failed to help me, and none of the many remedies I took did me any good. At last a friend presented me with a bottle of Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla and before I had used half of it I could see a decided change for the better. I used three bottles and was so completely cured that for four years I have not been troubled with the old complaint, but am rugged and hearty and able to eat anything that can be eaten. It would be impossible to say too much in praise of Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and I would not give one bottle of it for a dozen of any other kind."—M. S. SHIELDS, Meridian, Miss.

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LARGE FIRE IN TORONTO.

One Fireman Killed and a Large Amount of Property Destroyed.

A large fire occurred recently at Hess & Co.'s blind factory at the corner of Davenport road and Avenue road, Toronto, which resulted in the death of a fireman, Thomas Deacon, the injury of several other men and \$30,000 damage. The firemen were standing under a wall when it fell owing to an explosion of benzene of which there was a large quantity in the factory, and they were buried in the ruins. Deacon was killed instantly. Robert Long, a street car conductor, who was helping the fireman, may die. Other men injured were James Jones, Daniel Ballew, John McCormick, S. McGarvey and W. Batty, only the first two seriously. The damage to the factory was \$25,000. The rest of the loss is on small houses around.

Request Not Granted.

The delegation of farmers from the municipalities near Cypress river, that waited upon the government the other week, requested that a new municipality be organized in that district, has returned home. It is understood that the plan suggested will not be carried out. For one reason it would greatly weaken the municipality of South Cypress, taking away two-fifths of its present assessment, and this would only introduce a new difficulty to the municipal commission. However, it is understood, one part of the delegation desired, the grading of a number of roads, through the municipalities near Cypress river, will be granted, an appropriation of probably \$1,500 will be given. This was one of the reasons the delegation desired to organize a new municipality, and the action of the government in the matter of laying out new roads enabling the farmers to reach their market centres without encountering present difficulties, will serve to do away with much of the agitation for a new corporation.

Northwest Land Co.'s Sales.

At the annual meeting of the Canada Northwest Land company held recently, the report presented was considered satisfactory, and the old board of directors unanimously elected. An advance was reported in sales, both of farm lands and town lots. Sales for 1898 so far are considerably ahead of those of the same period of 1897. Farm land sales during the year 1897 amounted to 33,991 acres for \$219,549, against 29,927 acres for \$118,022 in 1896.

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The Official Gazette.

The Manitoba Gazette contains the following appointments:

To be a justice of the peace for the province—Thomas Renwick, of Miami.

To be a commissioner for taking affidavits for use in the courts of this province—Wm. Forsyth Ireland, of Winnipeg; R. J. McConnell, M. D., of Morden; John Albert Stewart, of Rosefield; Wilbert Ross, of Tupper; John L. Legie, of Gladstone; Robert W. McMoran, of Somerset.

To be issuer of marriage licenses—James H. Bartlett, of Souris; Ira J. MacConnell, of Hartney.

The registration of Pierre Gauthier, of Ste. Agathe, as a justice of the peace has been accepted.

The appointment of Archibald McCuaig, of Hartney, and A. A. Ramgren, of Scandinavia, as provincial constables have been cancelled.

The resignation of J. T. Begor, of Hochstadt, as a commissioner for taking affidavits has been accepted.

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GYPSES OF HUNGARY

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Smalls Who Make Hungary Their Home and Who Generally Refuse to Attempt to Civilize Them—A Weird Lot of Musical Tramps.

There are about 150,000 of these Gypsies in Hungary. They may be divided into three classes—those who are nomadic and barbed, the wandering ones, those who wear headgear and are settled, and those who are settled and have taken to the life of the country. The nomadic Gypsies are the most civilized and are generally musicians, who excel in the playing of the violin and the guitar.

The settled Gypsies arrived in Hungary, were not trained musically, but they were attracted to the Magyar music, and out of it they made a strange and weird art of their own. Their favorite instrument is the violin, and they play it with a marvellous skill. They also play the guitar, and the piano, for the reason that they are not easily moved about. In Hungary they are not easily moved about, and they are not easily moved about. In Hungary they are not easily moved about, and they are not easily moved about.

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A FISH STORY.

The Futile Effort of a Female Salmon to Raise a Family.

"In the interest of amateur science," said Lommore S. Burt of Montreal, "I once interfered cruelly with some most interesting piscatorial domestic economy in a stream on the estate of an English gentleman, where I was overseer of the game and fish preserves."

"One day I discovered a pair of salmon on their spawning ground and spared the male. The female showed some little agitation, but soon recovered and presently went hurriedly down stream."

"Another prospective salmon family made food for hungry fishes," thought I, for I supposed the female had abandoned the nest."

"But I was mistaken. She was gone only a few minutes, and then she returned in company with a splendid specimen of a salmon of the sterner sex. He stopped right into the shoes of his predecessor, so to speak, and was as tender, devoted and watchful as ever the first husband had been. This exhibition of inconsistency on the part of the female blunted the sympathy I might have had for her over the taking off of her first mate, and I destroyed her new felicity by spearing her second husband. He wasn't out of the water a minute before that female salmon, the second time a widow, dashed down the stream again and in less than ten minutes came back with a third husband."

"I started in as proud as the other two had been and was even spoornier than they, if that were possible. I speared the third husband. The widow instantly went away and got a fourth. Five times I berated her of her mate. I don't know whether the supply of unmated salmon had then run out or not, but on her sixth venture she returned home with a big, handsome yellow trout as her consort. He seemed fully as devoted to her as any of her husbands had been and perhaps all would have been well if I had left her to her new love. But her conduct rather nettled me and I enlarged the tragedy by spearing her. The big yellow trout darted away in the middle of the stream and after I had lifted the often widowed salmon from the water he returned to the nest, glanced over it a moment, then deliberately devoured its eggs and sailed away down stream."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

CUPID'S COURT FOR ELOPERS.

Nook in the City Hall of Washington Where Runaway Couples Wed.

There is a room, or rather a little alcove, in the city hall which has been dedicated to Cupid, and in it hundreds of marriages have been solemnized. It has been set apart for this purpose for a number of years by common consent of the court-house officials. This alcove is not surrounded by the most romantic or agreeable surroundings, as it looks out upon the corridor and is directly opposite the entrance to criminal court No. 2, in which some of the famous trials of Washington have taken place. Neither is the room romantic in appearance, as it has a threadbare old carpet on the floor and is surrounded on three sides by the musty looking walls of the city hall. It has a "poor box" hanging at the railing, which prevents intruders from crowding the bridal parties. A window looks out upon the grounds surrounding the old buildings, and this about completes the room.

Years ago somebody of a superstitious turn of mind covered an old horseshoe with tinfoil and placed it against one of the window panes. That some of the marriages which have been contracted there have not proved happy is accounted for by the fact that the horseshoe is turned upside down, and the good luck has all run out of it. Even now the horseshoe rests in its place, woefully tarnished, but still said to be a talisman of good fortune to those who are married within the space over which its point presides.

No record of the marriages performed in this space has ever been preserved except in the licenses issued at the clerk's office, but it is safe to say that as many people have been wedded there as within many of the churches of the city. This place is a great resort for runaway couples from the Virginias and Maryland. After the run-aways have obtained a license and express the wish to be married at once the attendant at the clerk's office always asks them to step over to the little alcove, and the nearest minister is sent for. The clerks go anxious to establish a record for the little place and never overlook an opportunity to have a ceremony performed.—Washington Post.

Health Is Capital.

Health is capital as truly as money is, and the man who so regards it will be as careful in its expenditure, as cautious in its investment, as prudent in husbanding its resources, as the financier is in the management of the principal from which he derives his income. Many persons have no other capital than health. The strength they use in their daily business may secure a comfortable living so long as it remains unimpaired, but once let the health springs be exhausted by carelessness, improvidence or too lavish expenditure, there is but one way to replenish them—right living and rest. Wealth accumulates by saving, and just in the same way health comes from saving strength, not wasting it upon trifles, not exhausting it in too severe or too prolonged efforts, by never permitting in rest and sleep, by taking such exercise and food as shall invigorate instead of depleting the physical powers. It is never wise to work to the extreme limit of one's ability. When weary, rest; when exhausted, sleep. The whole man will be recreated by it. It is by spending less than his income, by turning his honest pennies over and over, reinvesting as they accumulate, that a person builds up his fortune.—New York Ledger.

A Chinese Feast.

It may have been the privilege of some of you to have indulged in all manner of gorgeous feasts, to have supped with potentates, to have eaten of the rarest dainties procurable, but I venture to state that few have partaken of viands the like of which were laid before the present writer at Peking.

The dinner lasted for three hours. There was no stiffness in the feast, it being quite courteous, after you had taken the birds' nest soup and the shark fins, to toy with chopsticks, affect an appetite and smoke in direct, profuse British fashion while the attendants stood over you waving peacock fans.

duck, snare birds, mushrooms with pigeon eggs, baked white pigeons, lotus seeds, ham in honey, a fat duck, perch, sweetmeats, the stomachs of fat fish, pears in honey, whole snails, soles of pigeon feet, lotus seed soup, sliced flag bulbs, salted shrimp, prune juice and almonds with bean curd.—Strand Magazine.

No Wonder She Wanted Helping Out.

An old lady traveling on the underground railway in London and finding that the train was approaching a station, addressed herself to a man sitting in the farther corner of the compartment, her only fellow passenger, and said:

"Would you tell me, sir, what is the next station?"

"Bayswater, madam," was the courteous reply.

"Then would you mind, sir, when we arrive, opening the door and helping me to get out?"

"With pleasure," was the cordial assent.

"You see," the old lady went on to explain, "I am well on in years and afflicted, and I have to get out slowly and backward, and when the porter sees me getting out he shouts, 'Look alive, ma'am,' and gives me a push from behind—and I've been round the circle twice already!"

A Nihilist's Definition of Nihilism.

I was so fortunate as to meet an Americanized Russian who has been instrumental in bringing more of his people to this country than any other person. He had been a medical student in Russia, became connected with a nihilist plot, was suspected, arrested and sentenced to Siberia, but made his escape and came to this country five years ago. He at once took steps to become naturalized, and now, as Dr. C. C. Young, is an American citizen, intensely proud of his adopted country, enthusiastic concerning its institutions, particularly its liberty of speech, and is able to converse in excellent English wholly acquired since coming here.

"A nihilist," said Dr. Young, "is not an anarchist or even a socialist. He is merely one who desires with all his heart and above everything else in this world the liberty of speech and action, that is the birthright of every living soul, and which is guaranteed to every American by the constitution of the United States. Oh, you Americans should be the very happiest people on earth, for you have everything that the rest of the world is striving to gain!"—Kirk Munroe in Harper's Magazine.

The Truth of the Text.

"I hold to the Scriptural doctrine that it is more blessed to give than to receive," said the little man who is familiar with quotations.

"I confess that I have never been able to appreciate the force of that injunction," responded the big fellow who believes in looking after No. 1 above all others.

"Perhaps I should say that it is easier," continued the little man.

"Well, I don't see it," said the big fellow.

"You would if you were in my business," said the little man.

And doubtless he would.

The little man was a telegraph operator.

Told You So.

The unexpected never happens. There are always people around who know things would turn out that way.

RAILWAY ITEMS.

G. N. W. C. Likely to be Extended Thirty Miles—Increased Traffic.

Mr. F. S. Nugent, a Winnipeg solicitor, was asked recently what the probable effect of the late judgment in connection with the Great Northwest Central railway litigation, would be on the future of the road. He replied that Mr. Delap would undoubtedly make a big effort to extend the road thirty miles, but if he could accomplish the undertaking this summer remained to be seen; he probably could with reasonable assistance from the government. Mr. Delap is now master of the entire situation. The old judgment has been wiped out, and the bonds are free, and he can now finance on them and deal with the company without any embarrassment, and it will be to his advantage to extend the road thirty miles forthwith, as by so doing it will become a first-class railway property. Mr. Nugent thinks Mr. Delap will make a determined effort to get the thirty miles constructed before another winter sets in.

The new C. P. R. station at Moose Jaw will be the most modern on the western division and will undoubtedly have the most attractive appearance of any on the line west of Montreal. The plans are ready and tenders will be called for immediately by Manager Whyte. The structure will be constructed of stone and brick. A wire archway runs through the centre connecting with the street and dividing the dining and lunch rooms, with kitchen from the waiting rooms. The latter will be conveniently laid out and have lavatories, etc., attached. Upstairs will be the dispatcher's office and a large number of bedrooms. The building in its entirety will be a credit to the enterprise of the company.

It has been found necessary to engage extra crews to handle the large amount of freight arriving in the Winnipeg yards of the C. P. R. at present. Extra tracks will be laid this summer to accommodate the season's heavy business.

The bridge and building department of the C. P. R. will not commence any of the season's work until May 1st, when it is expected hundreds of men will be employed building new bridges, stations, and laying new steel rails east of Winnipeg.

The train crews who left for the Atlantic division of the C. P. R. to assist in the freight rush, have returned to the west.

New uniforms for the trainmen of the C. P. R. are arriving from Montreal.

ANOTHER RAILWAY.

Duluth and Port Arthur to be Connected by a Branch Line.

Another scheme is said to be on foot for building a railroad to tap the great iron and timber resources of Cook county, Minn. The matter is said to have reached the point where a new survey will be begun and arrangements having been made for that. The plan is to connect Duluth and Port Arthur with a branch from Grand Marais to Gurdint Lake, communication with the Rainy Lake district would be afforded over the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western, and the Ontario and Rainy road now being built.

When you go into an old bachelor's room, you generally see either a pocket holder or a fancy shaving paper which some girl has made him, and which he has hung up on a wall, thinking it was an ornament.

MANITOBA INSTITUTIONS.

Report on the Hospitals, Asylums, and Home for Incurables.

The minister of public works laid on the table of the house the sixth annual report of the public institutions of the province, dealing with the asylums for the insane at Brandon and Selkirk, the home for incurables, Portage la Prairie, the Winnipeg, St. Boniface, Brandon and Morden hospitals, the children's homes of Winnipeg and St. Boniface, the home for aged women, of St. Boniface, the women's home Winnipeg, the jails of the eastern, western and central judicial districts and the land titles offices. The minister also presented a report giving a detailed statement of the expenditures on roads, bridges and drains, etc., by the department during 1907.

The inspector of public institutions states in his report that the capacity of the Selkirk asylum has been taxed to its utmost capacity, and the management is pronounced to be satisfactory. The purchase of additional land for farm purposes is advised, as it has been necessary to rent land in the past to grow enough feed for the asylum stock. An improvement in the management of the Brandon asylum is noted. The purchase of an additional quarter section of land for farm purposes is advised, also the erection of a residence for the medical superintendent, the rooms now occupied by that official being needed for patients. The addition to the home for the incurables will furnish all accommodation required in that institution, and will obviate the necessity of maintaining outside patients. The purchase of additional land, the report states, would be an advantage.

The deaf and dumb institute is overcrowded, and extra accommodation had to be secured to provide for the pupils. The lack of room prevents any trade but that of printing being taught. With more accommodation carpentering and shoemaking might be added to the industrial branch. The management is highly spoken of. The report adds: "An arrangement has as yet been made with the Dominion government in regard to the teaching of the deaf and dumb of the Northwest Territories, but we now have three pupils from British Columbia and one from Calgary, N. W. T. If arrangement could be made, it would be a great advantage to those who would be sent to us, for they would derive far greater benefits by attending the school in Winnipeg than by going to a smaller institution, as, with increased accommodation, many more trades could be taught, and other branches of the work taken up that at present we are able to undertake."

The management of the various general hospitals and other charitable institutions by them are given due praise in the inspector's report. Last year forty children were admitted to the children's home, Port Rouge, the average number accommodated was 53; homes were found for 11. Last year 122 children were admitted to the children's home, and the number remaining at end of the year was 85. The women's home Winnipeg, admitted 25 women and 15 children during the year.

The inspector makes the following suggestions regarding the classification of prisoners: "I would again repeat what I have said in several of my reports in reference to the classification of prisoners in the jails of this province. I am convinced that some means should be adopted to classify prisoners. In this country a great number of young men get into jail for the first time in many cases through very slight offences, and if they were not contented, would never be found in such a place again. This, however, cannot be otherwise so long as the most hardened criminals are herded together with young men, some of them mere boys, who are thrown in such company for the first time in their lives. I think in this province a plan could be devised whereby the jails could be divided whereby the three jails could be used for the purposes of classification, and it would only necessitate the transferring of prisoners from one jail to another, according to the grade, or perhaps it would be as well to leave this entirely in the hands of the judges to sentence the prisoners to which ever jail they should go, but have the law so amended that the judges could have power to sentence them to jail No. 1, No. 2, or No. 3. Jail No. 1 could be used for those prisoners who could not be strictly termed criminals; No. 2, for paupers, and No. 3 for renowned criminals, who require different treatment. This plan would not cost much more than the present one, and I am quite certain that the reformatory principle would be of great benefit to the individual and to the province."

CANCELLATION OF PATENTS.

Lands Held by Speculators to be Thrown Open for Settlement.

One matter which has been engaging the attention of the officials in the Dominion land department for the past few weeks is that relating to the cancellation of large areas of Dominion lands which were sold between 1871 and 1882 to speculators, and have not been paid for or improved since that time. In November the interior department sent notices to all the owners that if the interest on the price at which they were sold at that time and \$2.50 per acre, was not paid within sixty days, the government would cancel every piece. In many cases, the owners, looking forward to more activity in the market for Manitoba farm lands, asked the department for a little more time, but this also now expired and the land and Brandon land offices expect to hear any day of the cancellation of those parcels of acres. The areas run all the way from 80 to 640 acres. The land is situated for the most part in Southern Manitoba in the municipalities of Lohse, Lorne, Pembina, Stanley, the southern part of Dufferin, Franklin, De Salaberry, and Emerson. Applications from all over the country have been pouring into the land office for these lands. They are mostly from farmers' sons, now residents of the province, and from indications, this time the lands will fall into the hands of people who will occupy them.

ANOTHER STAMPEDE.

A 530 Nugget Found Between Big and Little Skookum Creeks.

Ex-Mayor Wood, of Seattle and Willis Carre, who were passengers from the north by the Danube, brings news of a stampede to Swedish Gulch, one of the great ranch of the winter in the Yukon. It began on February 10th and in the first mad rush four men lost their lives by exposure while many others were seriously frozen. Detailed reports had not been received when they left Dawson on February 21. These passengers report also a stampede on February 12th caused by the report of the finding of a 530 nugget between Big and Little Skookum. Mr. Wood states that one of the benches in this district which he examined panned out no less than \$15,000 in 12 feet, and was expected to yield \$10,000 from the claim. There are said to be fully 1,000 men between Circle City and St. Michaels who, having been unable to get through before winter set in, are putting in their time prospecting in Alaska.

OTTAWA NOTES.

One-Half Cent Postage on Newspapers—Yukon Liquor Permits.

A return presented to parliament will show the number of permits for liquor in Yukon issued from the beginning to now. The late government authorized the lieutenant-governor of the Northwest to issue permits for 9.50 gallons between June, 1895, and 10th July, 1895, and since the present government has authorized 1,500 gallons. On July 10, two days after the Tupper administration had resigned and three days before the Laurier administration was formed, permits were issued to the Alaska Commercial company for 4,000 gallons of whisky and 25,000 gallons of ale and claret. The North American Transportation company received a permit the same day for 1,000 gallons, so that 7,000 gallons were authorized in one day. The fee was only 25 cents a gallon, but since February 21, 1898, it had been \$2. No permits have, however, been issued for trading purposes since August, 1897. On the total Yukon liquor since 1893, namely \$2,000,000, a revenue of \$5,800 has been received.

The Postmaster-General, Hon. Wm. Mulock has introduced a bill which authorizes a reduction in the domestic postage rate for letters from three cents to two cents per ounce, and an imposition of half a cent per pound on newspapers when mailed ten miles beyond the point of publication. It provides for the free transmission through the mails of books for the use of the blind; for the decentralization of the dead letter office and the establishment of branch offices at various points throughout the Dominion and for the limitation of the examination of postal clerks to duties connected with the office; the reduction of postage will take effect only on proclamation. The postage on newspapers will be only a quarter of a cent a pound from January 1, 1899, till July 1, 1899, and half a cent after that date.

The minister of marine and fisheries has given directions for the distribution of a proportionate amount of the award payable to the owners of the Canadian sealing schooner Ariel, wrongly seized in the North Pacific Ocean by the Russian authorities in 1892. The cheque will be sent immediately to the collector of customs at Victoria for distribution according to the wishes of the registered owners the amount awarded to the owners of the Ariel is \$24,600.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier received a telegram from Mr. Turner, premier of British Columbia, as follows: "The government exceedingly regrets the difficulties in the way of an all-Canadian route, and hopes that the extreme importance of the question in relation to the interests of British Columbia and Canada may yet receive a satisfactory solution."

In consequence of the action of the United States congress giving Canadian miners equal rights with American miners in Alaska Senator Boulton withdrew his bill to amend the Yukon mining regulations by compelling all miners receiving licenses to take the oath of allegiance.

W. J. Elliott, of Toronto, acting in behalf of the Bicycle Manufacturers' Association of Canada, appeared before the minister of finance recently, asking for a reduction of duties on tubing and other bicycle parts.

PETRIFIED ARTICLES.

A Huge Tree That Is Slowly Sinking Into the Earth.

Warda and the surrounding country are noted for petrified articles of various kinds. I have on exhibition a petrified rock about 2 feet long and 1½ feet wide. It weighs 45 pounds and is without a doubt a shoulder blade of a mastodon. It plainly shows the socket in which the bone of the leg revolves. It was found several years ago by a party while sailing in the bed of the Colorado river. Within three-quarters of a mile from Warda there is a petrified tree supposed to have been a post oak. It is about 30 feet long, and at the thick end of the trunk it is about 2 feet in diameter, while at the top it is over a foot in diameter. When first observed, about 18 years ago, about half of its diameter was above ground, but owing to its great weight it is slowly but constantly sinking. All around in this part of the country a person can find specimens of petrified wood of many varieties.

The writer has observed stumps and parts of stumps plainly showing traces where they had once been burned, and now they are solid rock. It seems as though untold quantities of petrified wood could be found under the ground, for if a person will make an examination of the banks of the local creeks, gullies and ravines he can find pieces of petrified wood sticking out of the banks on every side. The writer in examining some specimens in the surrounding creeks found several pieces of petrified wood protruding from the banks, which, although petrified, was so brittle that it could be broken to pieces with the hand. The cause of this appears to be a lack of some kind of acid necessary in the course of petrification to make it solid. One of the most curious and at the same time one of the most perfect specimens that the writer has observed is what is supposed to be a petrified stomach. It plainly shows a quantity of petrified acorns and other ingredients which cannot now be distinguished. It is supposed to be the stomach of a hog or some other prehistoric herbivorous animal. The writer has also noticed two other very beautiful specimens, the one being a prehistoric shell, known by the Latin name of Nautilus lineatus, and the other a common porcupine. —Galveston News.

The Next Governor-General.

The Pall Mall Gazette suggests the Earl of Selborne, parliamentary secretary of the colonial office, and also the Earl of Hopeton, paymaster general, as the probable successor of the Earl of Aberdeen in the position of governor-general of Canada. Both noblemen were interviewed and each denied even being approached with regard to the appointment. Lord Hopeton, who is a fluent speaker in French, was governor of the colony of Victoria from 1889 to 1895.

Nicotine.

An English scientist has made some interesting experiments as to the effect of nicotine upon the lungs and heart. He has arrived at the conclusion that a man of easy going nature can smoke a great deal without much injury to himself, while a nervous man will damage his health seriously by smoking much. A man who takes plenty of exercise in the open air may smoke with impunity, while he who sits much at a desk must beware of the fatal fascinations of "My Lady Nicotine."

In the Rhetoric Class.

"Miss Kerbliff, in the sentence 'Daniel Webster stood there like a great oak tree' point out the idea the author was trying to convey. In what respect could Daniel Webster be said to resemble a 'great oak tree'?"

"Well, he might have been rooted to the spot."—Chicago Tribune.

Tiger eye is a peculiar crystallization of quartz. Formerly very rare and costly, large deposits have been found in the western states of America and in South Africa, so that many common articles are now made of it.

Louis XVI might have escaped from France had he not delayed on the journey to feast on wine's feet.

During the reign of Edward III a fashion was introduced in England of having the gowns of a woman at the side, the garments being in two separate pieces.

The thieves of Great Britain steal \$3,000,000 worth of property every year.

Manitoba & Northwestern Railway

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